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February 20, 2008

BY FACSIMILE

The Honorable Robert P. Patterson United States District Judge Southern District of New York Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Room 2510 New York, NY 10007



Re: United States v. Joseph Deacon, et al. 07 Cr. 872 (RPP)

Dear Judge Patterson:

On behalf of the Government and defendant Joseph Deacon, I write to request that the audibility hearing currently scheduled for March 21, 2008 according to the docket sheet, be rescheduled for an earlier date. Subject to the Court's availability, both parties are available the morning of March 12, 2008 N 750 4 M

The reason for the request is that defense counsel believes the docket sheet is in error, and that the Court scheduled an audibility hearing for February 21, 2008, rather than March 21, 2008. In any event, since the Government will be providing defense counsel with transcripts of the pertinent sections of the audio recordings on February 21, 2008 (tomorrow), defense counsel understandably does not wish to proceed tomorrow, but has requested an earlier date for the hearing than March 21, 2008.

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